

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 4, 2009

Mr. Paul Hoag, Treasurer
Ohio Republican Party State Central &
Executive Committee
211 S. Fifth Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Response Due Date: April 3, 2009

Identification Number: C00162339

Reference: Amended 12 Day Pre-General Report (10/1/08 - 10/15/08), received

12/18/08

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 8 items:

1. Schedule A of your report discloses a receipt(s) of \$450,000 from the "ORP Non-Federal Account." Please clarify whether this transfer(s) is from an account maintained by your committee for non-federal activity. If so, be advised that such a transfer is prohibited by 11 CFR §102.5(a)(1)(i) and the full amount of the transfer(s) should be returned to the non-federal account. Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of your check for the transfer-out. In addition, the transfer-out should be disclosed on Schedule B supporting Line 22 of your next report.

The Commission notes the memo text attached to the receipt on Line 17: "Transfer from non federal account to correct transfer made from federal account to non-federal account on 10-20-06. Per Ohio Secretary of State we are complying with thier {sic} directive to clean the non-federal account of transferred federal funds."

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the acceptance of funds from a non-federal account, your prompt transfer-out